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Application of: Gerd CORNILS et al.

Application No.: 09/529,672

Group Art Unit: 1732

Filed: April 18, 2000

Examiner: To Be Assigned

For: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR
FURNACE-WORK PRODUCTION
OF AN EXTRUDED STRING RIM
PORTION ON AN OBJECT AND
ARTICLE COMPRISING SUCH AN
OBJECT

Attorney Docket No.: 3633-489

RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

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Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371 mailed August 8, 2000, a copy of which is enclosed, submitted herewith is the Declaration and Power of Attorney which has been executed by the applicants, Gerd CORNILS, Florin FISCHER and Stefan VERBEEK.

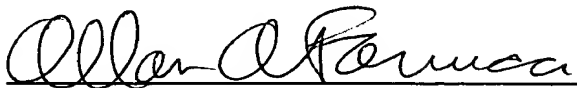
Authorization to charge Deposit Account No. 16-1150 for the surcharge for late filing of the Declaration and the processing fee for furnishing the National fee or oath or declaration later than 30 months of the earliest claimed priority date was given on the Transmittal upon filing of the national stage application dated April 18, 2000. Therefore no fees are deemed necessary. However, should any additional fees be due, please charge our

Deposit Account No. 16-1150. A duplicate copy of this correspondence is enclosed for this purpose.

Date

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Respectfully submitted,



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